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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy to the DCI for National Intelligence

FROM: Acting Director, Regional & Political Analysis

SUBJECT: Thomas Barger's Suggestions on People to Work on National Intelligence Estimates

Mr. Sowie:

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I have received a letter from Thomas Barger finishing some business that he promised to do when he was in Washington. The following paragraphs were excerpted from that letter:

"Secondly, I have a note that Bob Bowie asked me for some suggestions on people who might perform as "generalists" on National Intelligence Estimates and some who might be drawn upon as "specialists" from time to time. I can suggest only two that might be considered for "generalists" and might be willing to serve. It is this second quality that stymies me in trying to dredge up people who might be nominated—the requirement of full time service. The only two that I think might be looked at that I know—and even these may not be interested—are

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"As for the specialists, I suppose the greatest difficulty may be in getting people who are willing to stick their necks out and do something for the pariah of Washington at the moment. I have just spent four days at Aspen in 9-hour-a-day sessions on energy in a group of about 60 people. Four of the

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National War College.) These are the specialists out of my own	
speciality. The other specialists that I know are either so oc-	•
cupied now I doubt their availability or I am doubtful of my evaluation of their expertise. And, of course, there are others, such	1
as whom I am sure are as well known to Bob Bowie as	•
they are to me."	
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